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Statement by Representative Seth McKeel on Governor Scott Signing the Healthy Schools for Healthy Lives Act Into Law

Lakeland, Fla. – Representative Seth McKeel (R-Lakeland), Chair of the House State Affairs Committee, today released the following statement regarding Governor Scott signing the Healthy Schools for Healthy Lives Act into law.

"I applaud Governor Scott for signing the Healthy Schools for Healthy Lives Act into law today. I also want to thank Senator Siplin for championing this important legislation in the Senate.

"It's essential that children adopt healthy eating habits at an early age and that starts with the meals they eat in their school's cafeteria each day. By moving the school nutrition program to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services we ensure that schools have direct access to Florida's freshest fruits and vegetables from our state's agriculture community, kick-starting healthy eating habits early.

"I am confident that the school nutrition program will thrive under the leadership of Commissioner Putnam and that we will see our schools' cafeteria menus become healthier and in turn our state's children will lead healthier, more productive lives."

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